27

28

Courtroom:

6 – 17th Floor

DEFENDANTS' STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF SEALING CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS

Under Local Rules 7-11 and 79-5, Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc., Rasier, LLC, and Rasier-CA, LLC ("Uber" or "Defendants") hereby move this Court for an order to seal the personal identifying information ("PII") contained in their Motion for (1) Entry of an Order to Show Cause Why 6 Plaintiffs Who Have Submitted Non-Bona Fide Receipts Should Not Be Dismissed with Prejudice and (2) Allowing Limited Depositions of 5 Plaintiffs Referenced Herein, including all attached exhibits and declarations (altogether, the "Fourth Receipts Motion"). The Fourth Receipts Motion contains PII from materials produced by both Uber and Plaintiffs. The Fourth Receipts Motion is attached as Exhibit A, filed concurrently to this Administrative Motion.

A party seeking to seal a judicial record bears the burden of establishing that "compelling reasons" support that request. *Kamakana v. City & Cnty. of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178–79 (9th Cir. 2006). Specifically, that party must "articulate[] compelling reasons supported by specific factual findings ... that outweigh the general history of access and the public policies favoring disclosure [of court records], such as the 'public interest in understanding the judicial process." *Id.* (quoting *Foltz v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, 331 F.3d 1122, 1135 (9th Cir. 2003)). "In turn, the [C]ourt must 'conscientiously balance[] the competing interests' of the public and the party who seeks to keep certain judicial records secret." *Id.* at 1179 (quoting *Foltz*, 331 F.3d at 1135).

Assessment of the public and private interests implicated here warrant sealing this information. Local Rule 79-5(c)(1)(i). Uber in particular seeks to seal the names of Plaintiffs and other individuals contained throughout the Fourth Receipts Motion, as well as home and other addresses,¹ contact information such as phone numbers and email addresses, financial information such as credit card number, and information including license plate numbers. Courts have found that such information "is sealable under the compelling reasons standard." *See, e.g., Kumandan v. Google LLC*, No. 19-cv-04286-BLF, 2022 WL 17971633, at *1 (N.D. Cal. Nov. 17, 2022). That is because such information is "not relevant

Uber proposes redacting all addresses, because Uber is not able to assess which addresses are potentially personally identifying.

to any of the issues in this litigation, nor would the public have any real interest in its disclosure." O'Connor v. Uber Techs., Inc., No. C-13-3826 EMC, 2015 WL 355496, at *3 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 27, 2015). On the other hand, the public disclosure of the PII contained within the Fourth Receipts Motion could cause significant and avoidable harm or embarrassment to the affected individuals. Moreover, no less restrictive alternative to sealing the PII in the Fourth Receipts Motion is sufficient. Local Rule 79-5(c)(1)(iii). Uber's request is narrowly tailored to seal only the PII while ensuring that the public retains access to the rest of the Fourth Receipts Motion. This Court may therefore "appropriately balance[]" the privacy interests of the affected individuals with the public's right to access by allowing redaction of all such PII in the Third Receipts Motion. O'Connor, 2015 WL 355496, at *2.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Uber respectfully requests this Court grant this Administrative Motion to seal the personal identifying information, specifically the names, addresses, financial information, contact information, and license plate information, contained in the Fourth Receipts Motion.

1	DATED: January 7, 2026	Respectfully submitted,
2		
3		/s/ Laura Vartain Horn Laura Vartain Horn (SBN 258485)
		KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP
4		555 California Street, Suite 2700
5		San Francisco, CA 94104
6		Telephone: (415) 439-1625 laura.vartain@kirkland.com
7		Allison M. Brown (Admitted Pro Hac Vice)
8		KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP
		2005 Market Street, Suite 1000 Philadelphia, PA 19103
9		Telephone: (215) 268-5000
10		alli.brown@kirkland.com
11		Jessica Davidson (Admitted <i>Pro Hac Vice</i>)
12		KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP
12		601 Lexington Avenue
13		New York, NY 10022
14		Telephone: (212) 446-4800
		jessica.davidson@kirkland.com
15		SABRINA H. STRONG (SBN: 200292)
16		sstrong@omm.com
1.7		JONATHAN SCHNELLER (SBN: 291288) jschneller@omm.com
17		O'MELVENY & MYERS LLP
18		400 South Hope Street, 19th Floor
10		Los Angeles, CA 90071
19		Telephone: (213) 430-6000
20		Facsimile: (213) 430-6407
21		PATRICK L. OOT (Pro Hac Vice)
22		oot@shb.com
22		SHOOK, HARDY & BACON, L.L.P. 1800 K Street NW, 10th Floor
23		Washington, DC 20006
24		Telephone: (202) 783-8400
24		Facsimile: (202) 783-4211
25		ALVOIA A DECENTORY 211250
26		ALYCIA A. DEGEN (SBN: 211350) adegen@shb.com
		MICHAEL B. SHORTNACY (SBN: 277035)
27		mshortnacy@shb.com
28		4
		E MOTION TO SEAL PERSONALLY IDENTIFYING INFORMATION NTS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF FOURTH RECEIPTS ORDER

CONTAINED IN DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF FOURTH RECEIPTS ORDER

Cose No. 2:23 and 02084 CPP (I

Case No. 3:23-md-03084-CRB (LJC)

3

5

6

9

10

11 12

13

14 15

16

17

18

19

20

21 22

23

24

25

26 27

28

SHOOK, HARDY & BACON, L.L.P.

2121 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 1400

Los Angeles, CA 90067 Telephone: (424) 285-8330 Facsimile: (424) 204-9093

CHRISTOPHER V. COTTON (Pro Hac

Vice) ccotton@shb.com

SHOOK, HARDY & BACON, L.L.P.

255 Grand Boulevard Kansas City, MO 64108 Telephone: (816) 474-6550 Facsimile: (816) 421-5547

Counsel for Defendants UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC., RASIER, LLC, and RASIER-CA, LLC

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 7, 2026, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will automatically send notification of the filing to all counsel of record.

By: <u>/s/ Laura Vartain Horn</u>
Laura Vartain Horn